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MORO ROAD ENTRANCE/EXIT AT HIGHWAY 101 CLOSING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28

Access to Oak Estates Dr., Marjorie Rd., and Oak Heights Dr. will be via Tustin Rd.

MONTEREY COUNTY – Granite Construction, Caltrans' contractor for the 101/Prunedale Improvement Project (PIP), will permanently close the entrance and exit between Highway 101 and Moro Road during the week of November 28. The exact date of the closure is still to be determined, based on construction progress.

The closure is necessary for the construction of a new interchange at Crazy Horse Canyon and Echo Valley Roads that, when completed, will allow traffic to cross safely over Highway 101. This new interchange will allow traffic to enter and exit Highway 101 unimpeded by local westeast traffic circulation.

Beginning on Monday, November 28, motorists need to know that there will be no direct entrance to Moro Rd. from Highway 101. Highway 101 traffic heading to Moro Rd., Oak Estates Dr., Marjorie Dr., and Oak Heights will need to exit the highway at Tustin Rd., head east, then turn right on Moro Rd.

The 101/Prunedale Improvement Project addresses safety and operational concerns along the Highway 101 corridor between North Salinas and Echo Valley Road by upgrading the corridor to freeway status. This upgrade includes closing at-grade intersections and driveways along the Highway 101 corridor that allow left-turn movements across Highway 101.

The \$80 million project is scheduled to be done in winter 2014/15.

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